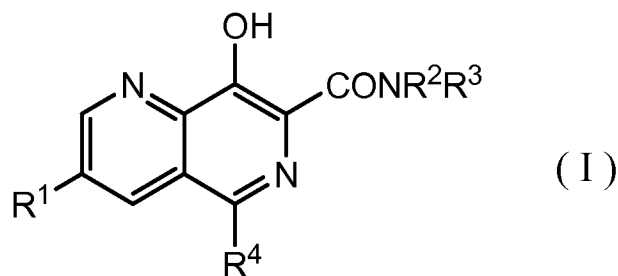


## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A compound of the formula:

[Formula 1]



(wherein:

$R^1$  is ~~optionally substituted~~ aralkyl substituted with halogen;

$R^2$  is hydrogen or lower alkyl;

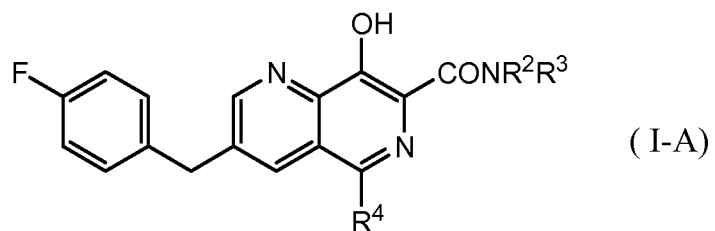
$R^3$  is optionally substituted alkyl (substituent: lower alkoxy, amino optionally substituted with lower alkyl, cyano, hydroxy, carboxy, or lower alkoxy carbonyl) or optionally substituted amino (~~provided that each substituent for “optionally substituted” is a noncyclic group~~) (substituent: lower alkyl);

$R^4$  is ~~hydrogen~~, optionally substituted carboxy (substituent: lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, lower alkoxy lower alkyl, optionally substituted amino lower alkyl, or an optionally substituted heterocyclic group), optionally substituted formylamino (substituent: lower alkyl, hydroxy lower alkyl, lower alkoxy lower alkyl, optionally substituted carbamoyl lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted amino, or optionally substituted carbamoyl), optionally substituted carbamoyl (substituent: lower alkyl, optionally substituted lower alkyl (substituent: hydroxy, lower alkoxy, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, carbamoyl), or optionally substituted heterocyclic group lower alkyl), ~~optionally substituted amino (provided that a substituent on amino in “optionally substituted formylamino”, “optionally substituted carbamoyl” and “optionally substituted amino” may form an optionally substituted N atom containing heterocyclic ring together with an adjacent N atom)~~, optionally substituted alkyl (substituent: hydroxy, halogen, an optionally substituted heterocyclic group, optionally substituted lower alkoxy, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, or optionally substituted carboxy), or optionally substituted alkenyl (substituent: hydroxy, halogen, an optionally substituted heterocyclic group, optionally substituted lower

alkoxy, optionally substituted amino, optionally substituted carbamoyl, or optionally substituted carboxy)), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof (except for Compound (I-A) shown in Table 1 below)

[Table 1]

[Formula I-A]



Compound No.	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>
20	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	H
27	H	Me	NHMs
28	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHMs
29	H	i-Pr	NHMs
85	Me	Me	H
86	H	NHMe	H
87	H	NMe <sub>2</sub>	H
88	H	OMe	H
89	H	H	H
90	H	Me	H
91	H	Et	H
92	H	i-Pr	H
126	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> NMe <sub>2</sub>	H
160	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHCOCH <sub>2</sub> OMe
161	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHCOCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et
162	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHCOCH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et
163	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHCOOEt
164	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHCOCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe
165	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	NHCO-thiophene
180	H	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OMe	Ph-CH <sub>2</sub> OH
181	H	NMe <sub>2</sub>	Ph-CH <sub>2</sub> OH

(Me=methyl; i-Pr=isopropyl; Et=ethyl; Ms=methanesulfonyl; thiophene=thiophene; Ph=phenyl).

2. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is p-fluorobenzyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

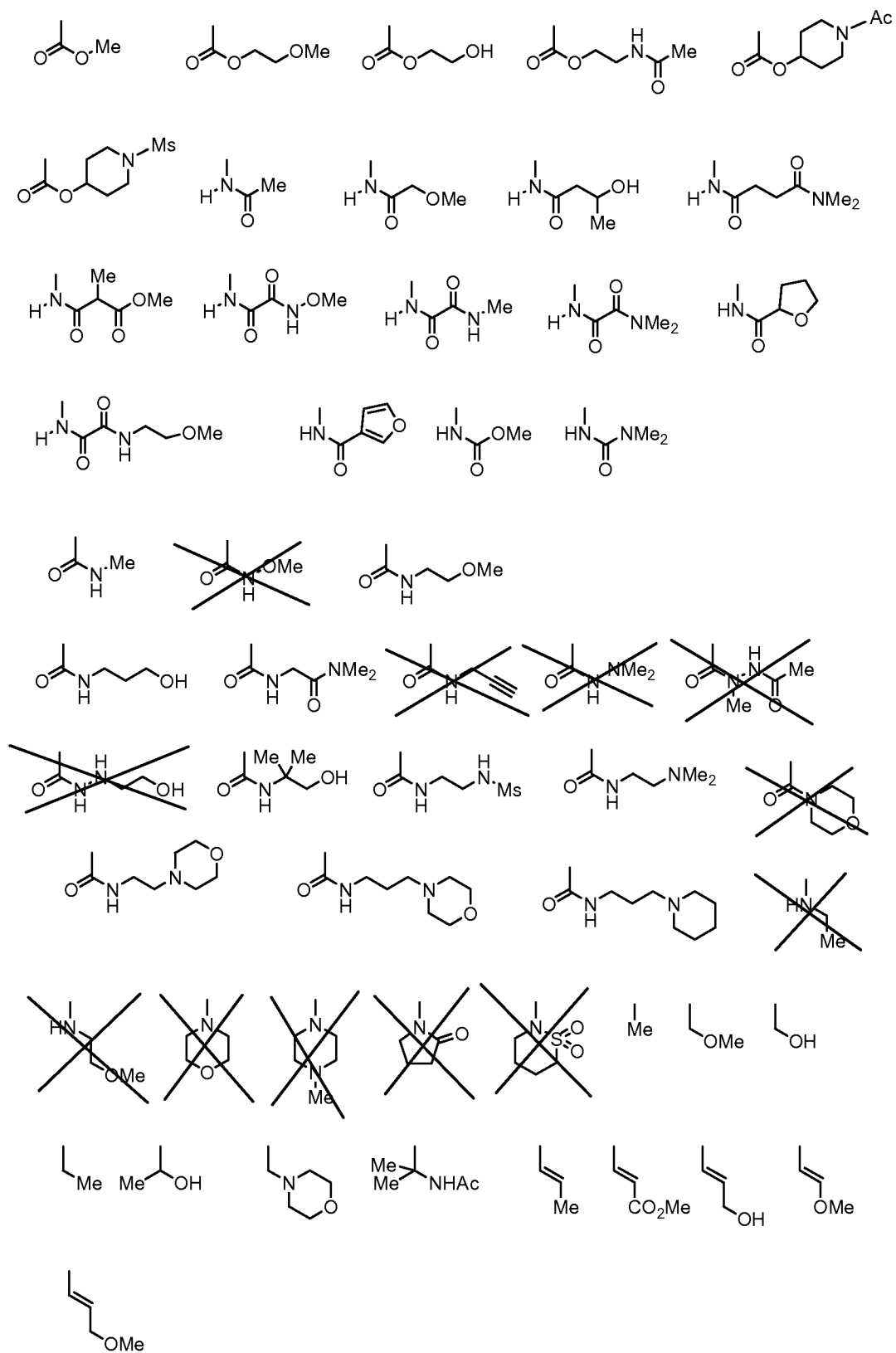
3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen; R<sup>3</sup> is CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OEt, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOCH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O(i-Pr), N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CN, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(Et)<sub>2</sub>, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)CH<sub>2</sub>OH, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)COOCH<sub>3</sub> or CH<sub>2</sub>CH(OH)CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently amended) The compound according to claim 1, wherein R<sup>4</sup> is a group shown below, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

[Formula 2]



(wherein, Me is methyl; Ac is acetyl; Ms is methanesulfonyl).

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 7, wherein  $R^1$  is p-fluorobenzyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

10. (Previously presented) The compound according to claim 7, wherein  $R^1$  is p-fluorobenzyl;  $R^2$  is hydrogen;  $R^3$  is  $CH_2CH_2OCH_3$ ,  $N(CH_3)_2$ ,  $CH_2CH_2CN$ ,  $CH_2CH_2N(CH_3)_2$ ,  $CH_2CH_2CH_2N(CH_3)_2$ , or  $CH_2CH(OH)CH_2CH_3$ ; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11-21. (Cancelled)